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The meeting was called to order at 10.10 a.m.

Agenda item 12: Report of the Economic and Social Council (*continued*)

Draft resolution on proclamation of international years (A/C.2/53/L.37)

1. **Mr. Nebenzia** (Russian Federation), introducing the draft resolution, said that its main objective was to provide for effective arrangements for the consideration of proposals for the proclamation of international years. Starting from the year 1999, such proposals would be submitted directly to the General Assembly for consideration and action, unless the Assembly decided to bring them to the attention of the Economic and Social Council for evaluation. He hoped that the Committee would adopt the draft resolution by consensus.

Draft resolution on the proclamation of the year 2002 as the International Year of Ecotourism (A/C.2/53/L.38)

2. **Mr. Wahono** (Indonesia) introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and expressed the hope that the Committee would be able to adopt it by consensus.

Agenda item 93: Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (*continued*)

(d) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (*continued*)

Draft resolution on renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (A/C.2/53/L.36)

3. **Mr. Hidayat** (Indonesia) introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China. The draft resolution was straightforward and procedural, and he hoped that the Committee would adopt it by consensus.

(g) Cultural development (*continued*)

Draft resolution on cultural development (A/C.2/53/L.35)

4. **Mr. Svetogorsky** (Uruguay) introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and hoped that the Committee would decide to adopt it by consensus.

Announcement concerning sponsorship of draft resolutions

5. **The Chairman** announced that Belarus, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Poland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkmenistan had become sponsors of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.34 submitted under agenda item 91 (a), and that Norway had become a sponsor of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.23 submitted under agenda item 93 (e).

The meeting rose at 10.30 a.m.